

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: )  
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Hiroshi Tomiyasu et al. )  
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Serial No.: 09/540,646 )  
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For: Magnetic Recording Medium, And )  
Thermal Stability Measuring Method )  
And Apparatus Of Magnetic )  
Recording Medium )  
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Examiner: Holly Rickman )  
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**AMENDMENT E (AFTER FINAL)**

In response to the Final Rejection of September 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: